

SENATE BILL 103  
By Ford

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62,  
Chapter 5, relative to funeral transportation  
services

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 62, Chapter 5, is amended by adding Section 2 through 5 as a new part thereto.

SECTION 2. It is unlawful for any person, partnership, firm, association or corporation to remove or transport for compensation a dead human body or body parts for disposition, cremation or burial unless a person certified by the board arranges for such removal or transportation.

SECTION 3.

(a) All applicants for certification to remove or transport dead human bodies or body parts shall make application to the board with payment of a fee as set by the board.

(b) All applications shall show:

(1) The applicant to be of good moral character;

(2) That at least one (1) motor vehicle is dedicated solely to the business of the transport service; and

(3) Proof of liability insurance of no less than one million dollars (\$1,000,000).

(c) A person certified pursuant to this part shall provide transportation services solely for the licensed funeral establishment or licensed mortuary service.

SECTION 4. The provisions of this part shall not apply to emergency service personnel in the course of their employment or to the receipt or transportation of cremated remains.

SECTION 5. The board is hereby authorized to promulgate rules and regulations pursuant to title 4, chapter 5, to implement the provisions of this part.

SECTION 6. For the purposes of promulgating rules and regulations, this act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes this act shall take effect January 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.